

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



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Ms. Debra Felton
Northern Division
Naval Facilities Engineering Command
10 Industrial Highway -- Mail Stop 82
Lester, Pennsylvania 19113-2090

Att: Code 1821/DF

Re: Naval Weapons Ind. Reserve Plant (Grumman)
Calverton, New York

Gentlemen:

We have recently received information from a known, reliable informant, who wishes to remain anonymous, that the area in the vicinity of the fire training area was used as a dump site in the past. He claims that in the mid 70s, chemical waste drums were brought in from the Bethpage plant and buried there in what was considered to be an "illegal" manner.

The Cornell aerial photo survey confirms that this was a dump area at least from 1962. The 1978 photo indicates the presence of drums. Copies of the airphoto inventory data sheets are attached.

This area must be considered as a potential abandoned chemical dump site and thoroughly investigated as such, not just as a fuel spill site from fire training activities.

Very truly yours,

James H. Pim, P.E.
Associate Public Health Engineer
Office of Pollution Control

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cc: Mr. John Ohlmann
Grumman Aerospace Corporation

Topo: Wading River
Site #: D 17

AIRPHOTO INVENTORY OF POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS DUMP SITES
In SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

SITE DATA SHEET

	Year: <u>47</u>	Year: <u>62</u>	Year: <u>72</u>
Site Type:		Landfill	Dump - Landfill
Approximate Size:		9½ Acres	3½ Acres
Site Description:	Undisturbed; brushy drainageway.	Abandoned landfill or filled in wetland; site generally unvegetated and somewhat mounded up above surrounding terrain.	'69: shows 3 acres open dumping onto abandoned landfill site; refuse detectable - some wastes fairly large in size. '72: shows small, square pit-like excavation on corner of fill; refuse detectable near pit.
Photo Number:	ASA - 4D - 177	2023 - 28 - 422	2398 - 30 - 773
Other Information:			

Site Location: Town Riverhead City Wading River Street Grunman Property

Field Visit: No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, date of visit _____

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SITE DATA SHEET

	Year: 78	Year: 84	Year:
Site Type:	Dump	Dump	
Approximate Size:			
Site Description:	Site continuing in use: waste deposits include dark toned substances & stains; mounded bulky material; small cluster of upright drums located near stains. Site includes about 7 acres.	Site generally abandoned except for one small area along west edge; some type of activity with structure(s) recently constructed on about 1/4 of site.	
Photo Number:	3338 - 41 - 139	3815 - 41 - 50	
Other Information:			
Site Location:	Town <u>Riverhead</u>	City <u>Wading River</u>	Street <u>Grumman Property</u>
Field Visit:	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, date of visit _____	Page <u>17</u>